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In re Application of :
Hosted et al. : DECISION ON APPLICATION
Application No. 09/855,340 : FOR
Filed: May 15, 2001 : PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT
Attorney Docket No. IN01164K :

This is a decision on the "REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT (PTA) UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.705," filed March 7, 2007. Applicants request that the initial determination of patent term adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154(b) be corrected from one hundred thirty-five (135) days to four hundred thirty-eight (438) days.

The application for patent term adjustment is **GRANTED**.

The Office has updated the PAIR screen to reflect that the correct Patent Term Adjustment (PTA) determination at the time of the mailing of the notice of allowance is **four hundred thirty-eight (438)** days. A copy of the updated PAIR screen, showing the correct determination, is enclosed.

On January 19, 2007, the Office mailed the Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154(b) in the above-identified application. The Notice stated that the patent term adjustment (PTA) to date is 135 days. On March 7, 2007, applicants timely submitted the instant application for patent term adjustment¹. Applicants dispute the reduction of 130 days

¹ PALM records indicate that the Issue Payment was also filed on March 7, 2007.

associated with the filing on May 10, 2004 of a response to the restriction requirement mailed October 1, 2003. Applicants state that a reply was filed on November 3, 2003, and that the response was resubmitted on May 10, 2004 at the request of the examiner because he had not received the original response. Applicants point out that the USPTO PAIR system includes images of the response filed on November 3, 2003. In addition, applicants submit a copy of their return postcard receipt evidencing filing of the response on November 3, 2003. As the response was filed within the three-month period, the reduction for this delay pursuant to § 1.704(b) should be 0 days, not 130 days. Further, applicants assert that, given that the response was actually filed on November 3, 2003, a period of adjustment of 173 days (pursuant to §§ 1.702(a)(2) and 1.703(a)(2)) should be entered for the Office taking until August 23, 2004 to respond.

Applicants state that the application is not subject to a terminal disclaimer.

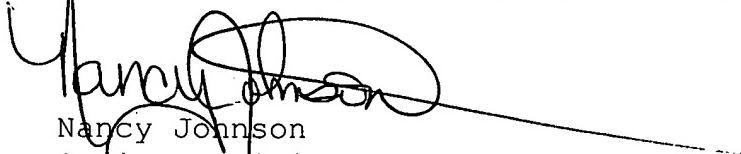
Applicants are correct. The application history shows that the reply is properly considered filed on November 3, 2003. Furthermore, applicants' characterization of the basis for and amounts of the corrections to the adjustments and reductions of patent term in this application given the filing of the reply on November 3, 2003 is correct.

In view thereof, the correct determination of patent term adjustment at the time of the mailing of the notice of allowance is 438 days.

Receipt of the \$200.00 fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(e) is acknowledged. No additional fees are required.

The application is being forwarded to the Office of Patent Publication for issuance of the patent. The patent term adjustment indicated on the patent (as shown on the Issue Notification mailed about three weeks prior to patent issuance) will include any additional adjustment accrued both for Office delay in issuing the patent more than four months after payment of the issue fee and satisfaction of all outstanding requirements, and for the Office taking in excess of three years to issue the patent (to the extent that the three-year period does not overlap with periods already accorded).

Telephone inquiries specific to this matter should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3219.


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Enclosure: Copy of REVISED PAIR Screen

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Date: 4/11/2007
Time: 16:19:30**PALM INTRANET****PTA Calculations for Application: 09/855340**

Application Filing Date:	05/15/2001	PTO Delay (PTO):	443
Issue Date of Patent:		Three Years:	0
Pre-Issue Petitions:	0	Applicant Delay (APPL):	308
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